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METSÄ-SERLA OYJ, a joint stock company of Finland, having a principal place of business at Revontulentie 6, FIN-02100 Espoo, FINLAND, is assignee of the entire right, title and interest for the United States of America (as defined in 35 U.S.C. § 100), by reason of an Assignment to the Assignee executed on May 18, 1999 of an invention known as Novel Filler and Pigment (Attorney Docket No. 1562.0110000/MAC/SEZ), which is disclosed and claimed in a patent application of the same title by the inventor(s) Petri SILENIUS (said application filed on March 12, 1999 at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, having Application Number 09/266,936).

The Assignee hereby appoints the following U.S. attorneys to prosecute this application and any continuation, divisional, continuation-in-part, or reissue application thereof, and to transact all business in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith: Robert Greene Sterne, Registration No. 28,912; Edward J. Kessler, Registration No. 25,688; Jorge A. Goldstein, Registration No. 29,021; Samuel L. Fox, Registration No. 30,353; David K.S. Cornwell, Registration No. 31,944; Robert W. Esmond, Registration No. 32,893; Tracy-Gene G. Durkin, Registration No. 32,831; Michele A. Cimbala, Registration No. 33,851; Michael B. Ray, Registration No. 33,997; Robert E. Sokohl, Registration No. 36,013; Eric K. Steffe, Registration No. 36,688; Michael Q. Lee, Registration No. 35,239 and Steven R. Ludwig, Registration No. 36,203. The Assignee hereby grants said attorneys the power to insert on this Power of Attorney any further identification that may be necessary or desirable in order to comply with the rules of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

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TITLE: Controller/Vice President, R&D

DATE: x Virkkala 18.5.1999 May 18, 1999



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Applicant(s): Petri SILENIUS

Application No: 09/266,936

Filed: March 12, 1999

For: NOVEL FILLER AND PIGMENT

METSÄ-SERLA OYJ, a Finnish joint stock company
(Name of Assignee) (Type of Assignee, e.g., corporation, partnership, university, government agency, etc.)

certifies that it is an assignee of the patent application identified above by virtue of either:

A. An Assignment from the inventor(s) of the patent application identified above. The assignment was recorded in the Patent and Trademark Office at Reel _____, Frame _____, or for which a copy thereof is attached.
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The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is empowered to act on behalf of the assignee.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true, and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further, that these statements are made with the knowledge that willful false statements, and the like so made, are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both under Section 1001, Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

Date: X Virkkala 18.5.1999 May 18, 1999

Name: Irmeli Eskola/Jyrki Kettunen

Title: Controller/Vice President, R&D

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ASSIGNMENT

In consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) or equivalent and other good and valuable consideration paid to each of the undersigned inventor(s): Petri SILENIUS, the undersigned inventor(s) hereby sell(s) and assign(s) to METSÄ-SERLA OYJ (the Assignee) his/her entire right, title and interest, including the right to sue for and collect for all past, present and future damages:

check applicable box(es) for the United States of America (as defined in 35 U.S.C. § 100),
 and throughout the world,

(a) in the invention(s) known as Novel Filler and Pigment for which application(s) for patent in the United States of America has (have) been executed by the undersigned on May 18, 1999 (also known as United States Application No. 09/266,936, filed March 12, 1999), in any and all applications thereon, in any and all Letters Patent(s) therefor, and

(b) in any and all applications that claim the benefit of the patent application listed above in part (a), including continuing applications, reissues, extensions, renewals and reexaminations of the patent application or Letters Patent therefor listed above in part (a), to the full extent of the term or terms for which Letters Patents issue, and

(c) in any and all inventions described in the patent application listed above in part (a), and in any and all forms of intellectual and industrial property protection derivable from such patent application, and that are derivable from any and all continuing applications, reissues, extensions, renewals and reexaminations of such patent application, including, without limitation, patents, applications, utility models, inventor's certificates, and designs together with the right to file applications therefor; and including the right to claim the same priority rights from any previously filed applications under the International Agreement for the Protection of Industrial Property, or any other international agreement, or the domestic laws of the country in which any such application is filed, as may be applicable;

all such rights, title and interest to be held and enjoyed by the above-named Assignee, its successors, legal representatives and assigns to the same extent as all such rights, title and interest would have been held and enjoyed by the Assignor had this assignment and sale not been made.

The undersigned inventor(s) agree(s) to execute all papers necessary in connection with the application(s) and any continuing (continuation, divisional, or continuation-in-part), reissue, reexamination or corresponding application(s) thereof and also to execute separate assignments in connection with such application(s) as the Assignee may deem necessary or expedient.

The undersigned inventor(s) agree(s) to execute all papers necessary in connection with any interference or patent enforcement action (judicial or otherwise) related to the application(s) or any continuing (continuation, divisional, or continuation-in-part), reissue or reexamination application(s) thereof and to cooperate with the Assignee in every way possible in obtaining evidence and going forward with such interference or patent enforcement action.

The undersigned inventor(s) hereby represent(s) that he/she has full right to convey the entire interest herein assigned, and that he/she has not executed, and will not execute, any agreement in conflict therewith.

The undersigned inventor(s) hereby grant(s) Robert Greene Sterne, Esquire, Registration No. 28,912; Edward J. Kessler, Esquire, Registration No. 25,688; Jorge A. Goldstein, Esquire, Registration No. 29,021; Samuel L. Fox, Esquire, Registration No. 30,353; David K.S. Cornwell, Esquire, Registration No. 31,944; Robert W. Esmond, Esquire, Registration No. 32,893; Tracy-Gene G. Durkin, Esquire, Registration No. 32,831; Michele A. Cimbala, Esquire, Registration No. 33,851; Michael B. Ray, Esquire, Registration No. 33,997; Robert E. Sokohl, Esquire, Registration No. 36,013; Eric K. Steffe, Esquire, Registration No. 36,688; Michael Q. Lee, Esquire, Registration No. 35,239; and Steven R. Ludwig, Registration No. 36,203, of STERNE, KESSLER, GOLDSTEIN & FOX

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, executed by the undersigned inventor(s) on the date opposite his/her name.

May 18, 1999

Date: x 18.5.99

Signature of Inventor: x

Petri SILENIUS



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Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney for Patent Application

Docket Number: 1562.0110000/MAC/SEZ

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter that is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled **Novel Filler and Pigment** the specification of which is attached hereto unless the following box is checked:

was filed on March 12, 1999; as United States Application Number or PCT International Application Number 09/266,936; and was amended on _____ (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information that is material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or § 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or § 365(a) of any PCT international application, which designated at least one country other than the United States listed below, and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate, or PCT international application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

Prior Foreign Application(s)	Priority	Claimed
<u>980566</u> (Application No.)	<u>Finland</u> (Country)	<u>13 March 1998</u> (Day/Month/Year Filed)
_____ (Application No.)	_____ (Country)	_____ (Day/Month/Year Filed)

I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below.

_____ (Application No.)	_____ (Filing Date)
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I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 120 of any United States application(s), or under § 365(c) of any PCT international application designating the United States, listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States or PCT international application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. § 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose information that is material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 that became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application.

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